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Immunization Update: Monkeypox Vaccine

The Louisiana Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) professional services file has been updated to include coverage of the "smallpox and monkeypox vaccine attenuated vaccinia virus, live, non-replicating, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, suspension, for subcutaneous use," (CPT 90611) effective with dates of service on and after July 26, 2022.

The immunization fee schedules have been updated on the Louisiana Medicaid website at https://www.lamedicaid.com to include this vaccine on the "Young Adult" and "Adult" fee schedules.

This vaccine is currently provided at no cost to providers by the federal government and therefore the vaccine code shall be reimbursed at \$0. Medicaid will only reimburse claims for the vaccine and vaccine administration when performed, documented and coded appropriately.

Providers may resubmit denied FFS claims for this vaccine with dates of service on or after July 26, 2022. For questions related to this information as it pertains to FFS Medicaid claims processing, please contact Gainwell Technologies Provider Services at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.

Each managed care organization (MCO) shall update their procedure file if needed to reflect these changes within 30 days of the published Medicaid fee schedule updates. MCOs must recycle any impacted claims within 15 days of their procedure file revisions. Questions regarding MCO claims should be directed to the appropriate MCO.